

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	)	
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SCHRAMM, <i>et al.</i>	)	Confirmation No. 8503
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U.S. Application No. 10/523,092	)	Group Art Unit: 1797
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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR	)	
CHROMATOGRAPHIC COMPONENT	)	
SEPARATION	)	

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of February 4, 2008, please consider the following amendments and remarks. This response is submitted concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and Request for Three-Month Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3).

**The Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.